

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 527

By Beck

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Grand Ole Opry member Alison Krauss on the celebration of her fiftieth birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pay tribute to those country music legends who are celebrating special occasions in their lives; and

WHEREAS, Alison Krauss will celebrate her fiftieth birthday on July 23, 2021, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Grand Ole Opry since 1993, Ms. Krauss also marks her twenty-eighth anniversary of being a member of the Opry family this year; and

WHEREAS, a native of Champaign, Illinois, Alison Krauss recorded her first album, *Too Late to Cry*, at the age of fourteen; by age eighteen, she earned a Grammy nomination for her 1989 release *Two Highways*; the following year, she won the Grammy for Best Bluegrass Recording for "I've Got That Old Feeling"; and

WHEREAS, she joined the Opry at twenty-one, becoming the first bluegrass artist in twenty-nine years to be inducted and the youngest cast member at the time; and

WHEREAS, Alison Krauss is the second-most award-winning woman in Grammy history, possessing twenty-seven of the coveted trophies; she picked up five of these for the 2008 album *Raising Sand*, a collaboration with Robert Plant; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Krauss was also part of the phenomenally successful old-time/bluegrass soundtrack album for the 2000 film *O Brother, Where Art Thou?*; and

WHEREAS, in addition to performing on the Opry stage with fellow members, including Brad Paisley, Patty Loveless, and The Whites, she has also sung and played with guests

ranging from bluegrass musicians Tony Rice, Rhonda Vincent, and Dale Ann Bradley to rock singer John Waite, whom she joined on his 1980s pop smash "Missing You"; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of country music's greatest stars on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Alison Krauss on the celebration of her fiftieth birthday and her twenty-eighth anniversary with the Grand Ole Opry and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.